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NEEDLESS TO SAY, WE COMPLETELY AGREE WITH LAST SENTENCE OF
REFTEL. BUT, IF WE ARE TO MAKE IT CLEAR TO SOVIETS THAT
"FLAGRANTLY AGGRESSIVE ACTIONS BY HANOI ARE SURE TO HAVE A
NEGATIVE EFFECT ON THE DEGREE OF COMMITMENT THAT THE U.S.
IS ABLE TO BRING TO BEAR ON ITS POLICY OF IMPROVING RELATIONS
WITH THE USSR" THEN WE SUGGEST THAT MOVEMENT OF 968 DIVISION
FROM LAOS TO SOUTH VIETNAM ALONG WITH ELEMENTS OF TWO OTHER
DIVISIONS FROM ITS STRATEGIC RESERVE IN NORTH VIETNAM, IS
PRETTY FLAGRANT NOW.

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